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RE:

Hays/Russell WaterTransfer Application

Mr. Traster:

Pursuant to your request, this letter is to verify that on January 8, 2016 I received referenced water transfer application in our Manhattan office.

Pursuant to regulations, a water transfer application it is not considered complete until the change applications have been contingently approved. We are still reviewing the change applications and are sending a separate letter today with questions from our review and proposing a meeting to discuss the changes applications so we can continue our evaluation of the change applications.

Sincerely,

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